



Safer People, Safer Streets

WSTC Meeting
February 18, 2015

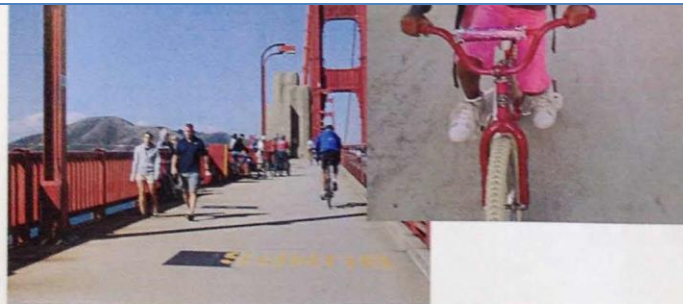
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Safer People, Safer Streets:

Summary of U.S. Department of
Transportation Action Plan to Increase

“Americans are increasingly walking and riding bicycles to commute, run errands, get exercise, access public transportation, and save money. At the U.S. Department of Transportation, we believe that everyone should have the choice to safely take advantage of these healthy and economical transportation options....The U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to make safe walking and biking a reality for all Americans, regardless of age, income, or ability.”

- Anthony R. Foxx, Secretary of Transportation



USDOT's Safer People, Safer Streets Initiative

U.S. Transportation Secretary Foxx Announces New Initiative to Enhance Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety

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Injuries and fatalities of pedestrian and people bicycling have steadily increased since 2009, at a rate higher than motor vehicle fatalities. From 2011 to 2012, pedestrian deaths rose 6 percent and bicyclist fatalities went up almost 7 percent.

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The initiative will begin when the Department's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) field offices survey routes for pedestrians and cyclists with local transportation officials and stakeholders to understand where and why gaps exist in the non-motorized transportation network and strategize on ways to close them....The Department's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) will participate in assessments to gain understanding of non-motorized crashes involving truck and trains.

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

For Washington State, FMCSA is the USDOT modal lead.

WA Bike/Ped Safety Assessments

- **USDOT Assessment – FMCSA**
 - Late April to mid-May 2015
 - In SODO
 - Focus on Commercial Motor Vehicles (Trucks)
- **Additional Assessments – WSDOT and FHWA**
 - Late Spring and thru Summer
 - One in each WSDOT Region
 - Focus will likely vary

Sec. Foxx's Mayor's Challenge

- Announced as part of his [Safer People, Safer Streets](#) initiative
- Excerpt from January 22, 2015, News Release:
 - WASHINGTON, DC – Today, U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx launched the “Mayors’ Challenge for Safer People and Safer Streets,” which invites Mayors and local elected officials to attend a Safer People, Safer Streets Summit and then take significant action over the next year to improve pedestrian and bicycle transportation safety. The Mayors’ Challenge will showcase effective local actions to improve safety, empower local leaders to take action, and promote partnerships to advance pedestrian and bicycle safety.
- Challenge begins in March 2015
- Capstone Meeting in March 2016 at USDOT Bldg in Washington, DC to share lessons learned, and celebrate their success

FHWA Resources

- **USDOT Secretary Foxx's *Safer People, Safer Streets* Initiative**

<http://www.dot.gov/policy-initiatives/ped-bike-safety/safer-people-safer-streets-pedestrian-and-bicycle-safety>

- **FHWA Bicycle and Program**

http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle_pedestrian/

- **Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety**

http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/

- **Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center**

<http://www.pedbikeinfo.org/>

- **Non-motorized Transportation Pilot Program (NTPP) Webinar Recording from October 22, 2014.**


<https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/p2azgtrlu9y/?launcher=false&fcsContent=true&pbMode=normal>

Resources to Stretch Your Mind (They Did Mine!)

Livable Transportation – Ian Lockwood

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o7lXblXNOPk>

**Poynton
Regenerated:
(Shared
Space)**



Traffic lights have no place in
the scheme and will be removed

...and now for a little fun. Here's a “Road Diet” song...

On the Road Diet Again

Sung by Dave Leighow
Lyrics and PPT by Peter Eun



Great for People on Foot

- On the road again
- Road diets get me on that road again
- The job I love is helping people to walk safe
- I can't wait to get on a road diet again.



Great for People on Bikes

- On the road again
- Putting bike lanes where they've never been
- Changing mindsets I hope never to see again
- I can't wait to do a road diet once again.



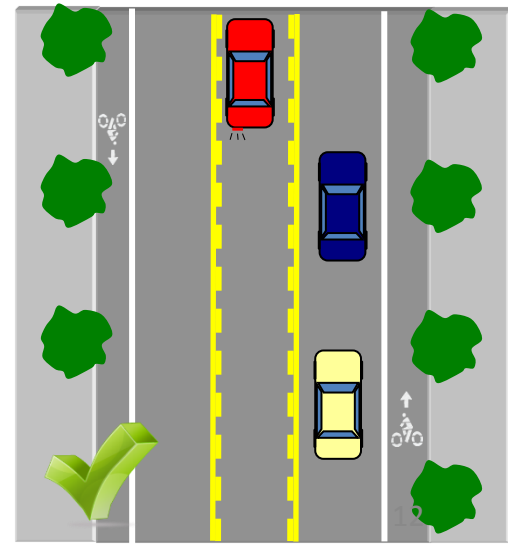
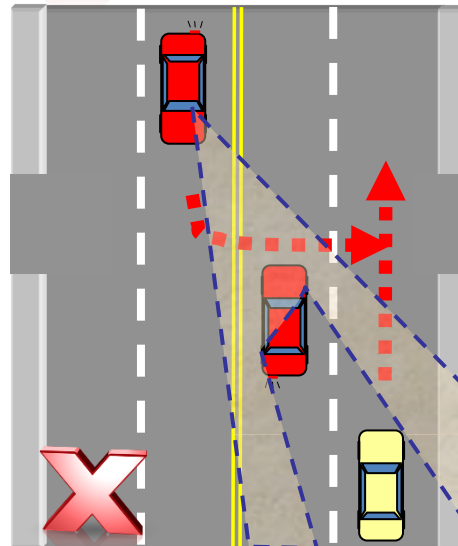
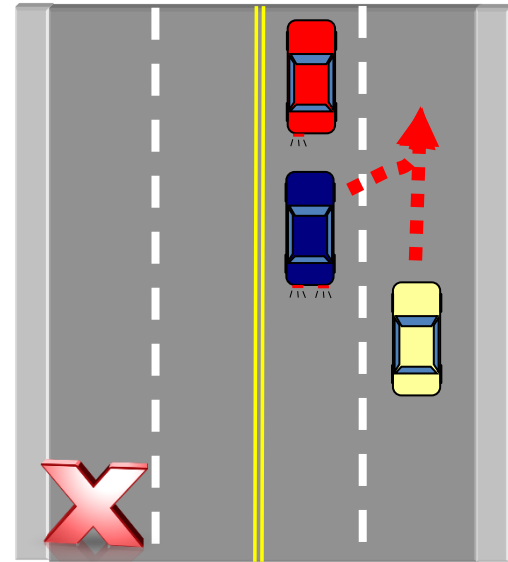
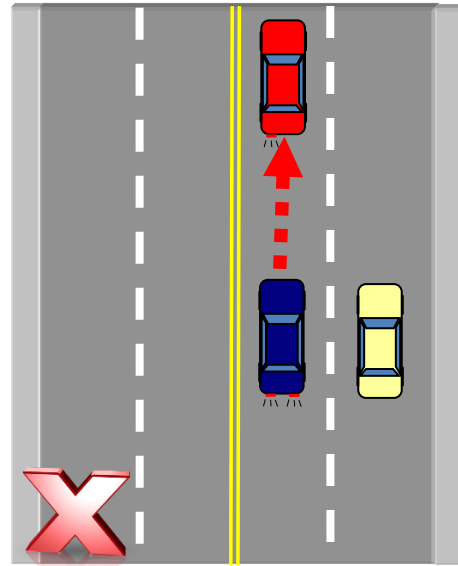
Great for Communities

- On the road again
- Like a band of cyclists we go down that highway
- Sharing the road with friends
- Helping agencies in thinking in new ways
- And that way
- Is 4 to 3 lanes



Great for People in Automobiles

- Just can't wait to get on that road again
- The job I love is getting people to drive safe
- I can't wait to get on that road again.





Road Before



Road After

Four Lanes w/o center turn lanes

center turn lanes, bike lanes,
ped refuge island at bus stop



N. Harrison St. – Before



N. Harrison St. – After Road Diet

Win-Win-Win

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Love My Job!!!

- Just can't wait to get on that road again
- The job I love is getting people to drive save
- I can't wait to do a road diet once again.
- No I can't wait to do a road diet again.







Now what are your ?s